

Remarks

The applicant has amended the claims to emphasize the inventive nature of the invention, without disclaimer of any subject matter changed or deleted.

Claim Rejections

Claims 1-5, and 11, were rejected under 35 USC Sec. 103(a), as obvious over various cited references. Those claims have now been cancelled, without prejudice to pursuing such claims in further prosecution, in order to place this application in condition for allowance, in accordance with the Office Action.

Claim Objections

Claims 6-10 were objected to as depending from rejected base claim 1. Applicant believes he has now brought claims 6-10 into condition for allowance by amendment, incorporating into claim 6, from which claims 7-10 depend, the limitations of claim 1 and intervening claims, and thus requests withdrawal of the objection.

Claims 12 and 13 were objected to as depending from rejected base claim 11. Applicant believes he has now brought claims 12 and 13 into condition for allowance by amendment, incorporating the limitations of claim 11 into claim 12, from which claim 13 depends, and thus requests withdrawal of the objection.

Claims 14-21 were objected to as depending from rejected base claim 11. Applicant believes he has now brought claims 14-21 into condition for allowance by amendment, incorporating the limitations of claim 11 into claim 12, from which claims 14-21 depend, and thus requests withdrawal of the objection.

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Claim 23, section (f) was amended to change the reference to “said multiplicity of enrolled users” to “a multiplicity of enrolled users,” since there was no antecedent basis in claim 23, or in claim 22, from which claim 23 depends, for the term “multiplicity of enrolled users.”

Claim 36 was amended for clarity by the addition of the term “public” as a description of the Internet, in line with the terminology “public Internet” used throughout the application.

In addition to the amendments cited above, claims 8, 14, 16, 17, 23, 25, 27, and 35 were amended to correct minor typographic, punctuation, or grammatical errors.


None of the amendments has added any new matter.

Conclusion

Applicant believes all remaining claims, as amended, listed, and discussed above are now in condition for allowance, and respectfully requests that the instant application be passed to allowance.

Please contact the undersigned Attorney for Applicant at 408-350-4379 to discuss any aspect of this application.

Respectfully submitted,



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